GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:32
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2001
RENAMING OF WEST BENGAL
LAKSHMAN CHANDRA SETH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of West Bengal has sought approval on the proposal of renaming the West Bengal as Bangla; and

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): The Government of West Bengal has requested the Central Government to take such steps as may be necessary under article 3(e) of the Constitution of India for renaming `West Bengal` and `Bangla`. The request of the State is under examination.